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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 5030

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, AR

SUBJECT: KOVADLOFF CASE RAISED WITH FONOFF

1. CHARGE D'AFFAIRES RAISED KOVADLOFF ISSUE AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WHEN HE SAW ESPECHE GIL (DIRECTOR FOR NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS) ON JULY 1. THIS WAS FOLLOWED UP BY TELEPHONE CALL TO ESPECHE GIL JULY 5.

2. CHARGE CITED POSSIBILITY THAT KOVADLOFF FAMILY'S FLIGHT MIGHT BECOME AN IMPORTANT AND DAMAGING ISSUE IN U.S.-ARGENTINE RELATIONS BECAUSE OF KOVADLOFF'S ASSOCIATION WITH A PRESTIGIOUS AMERICAN PHILANTHROPIC AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS ORGANIZATION. IN TELEPHONE CALL HE REITERATED THIS, AND POINTED OUT HOW MUCH WORSE THINGS WOULD BECOME IF THE HARASSMENT THE KOVADLOFFS SUFFERED WERE TO BE FOLLOWED BY SOME DAMAGE SUFFERED BY THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE'S BUENOS AIRES OFFICE. ESPECHE GIL GOT THE MESSAGE CLEARLY ON BOTH OCCASIONS.

3. FROM INFORMAL CONVERSATION BETWEEN EMBOFF AND AMERICO GROSSMAN, WHO HAS GOOD CONNECTIONS WITH ARGENTINE NAVY, WE KNOW THAT STORY OF KOVADLOFF'S DEPARTURE HAS GOTTEN TO ADMIRAL MASSERA. A RANKING ADMIRAL REFERRED TO THIS MATTER OBLIQUELY TO ANOTHER EMBOFF AT JULY 4 RECEPTION, DESCRIBING IT AS CONFIDENTIAL

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